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RE: *U.S. Patent Application No. 10/057,472 entitled "METHOD FOR INCORPORATING AN ADDITIVE INTO A THIN FILM FORMED ON A SUBSTRATE AND USES THEREOF IN OPHTHALMIC OPTICS" by Yves Leclaire and Jean-Paul Cano*
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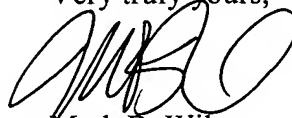
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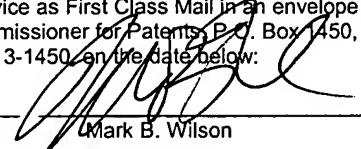
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Title	METHOD FOR INCORPORATING AN ADDITIVE INTO A THIN FILM FORMED ON A SUBSTRATE AND USES THEREOF IN OPHTHALMIC OPTICS
Appl. No.	10/057,472
Applicant	Yves Leclaire <i>et al.</i>
Filed	January 25, 2002
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the Notice of Allowance issued on November 7, 2003 for which the three month date for response is February 9, 2004. See 37 C.F.R. 1.7(a). The Issue Fee is also being paid along with the submission of this document.

A. Applicants' Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

Applicants agree with the Examiner that the subject matter of present claims 1-19 is not taught or fairly suggested by the prior art that is of record in this case. Applicants would like to

add that the art that is of record in this case does not anticipate the present claims nor does it establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness.

For at least these reasons, including the reasons stated by the Examiner in the Notice of Allowance, Applicants believe that the present claims are patentable over the art made of record in this case. Should the Examiner have any question or comments regarding this communication, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned attorney at (512) 536-3035.

B. Conclusion

Applicants submit that in light of the foregoing remarks, present claims 1-19 are allowable. Applicants request that the present claims be allowed to proceed to issuance.

No fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 are believed to be due in connection with the instant paper; however, should the Commissioner determine otherwise, please consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/ESSR:060US.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments, please contact Applicants' representative, Mark Wilson, at 512-536-3035.

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